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The mortar shell factory "Wodomierz" Komuna Paryska in Wroclaw (Breslau) is located at ul. Jana Dlugosza 1. The plant employs 2,900 workers. Work is carried out in three shifts, except in the foundry, where one shift is worked. The production of this plant is exclusively trench mortar shells of 120 mm. caliber. The weight of a mortar shell casting was approximately 4½ kg. The daily output averages approximately 1,500 mortar shells (estimated by the daily casting). Castings of parts are often produced in the foundry for other enterprises.

Comment: The address, ul. Jana Dlugosza 29c (no firm was listed on ul. Jana Dlugosza 1) is occupied by the Wroclawska Fabryka Wodomierz (Wroclaw Hydrometer Factory), according to the Wroclaw Phone Directory. [redacted] a State Hydrometer Factory in Karlowice, a suburb of Wroclaw, which was producing shells of three to four kilograms, and fuses. Ul. Jana Dlugosza is located in Karlowice and it is believed that this is the plant to which Source is referring. The size of these shells indicate that they could be 120 mm. caliber mortar shells.

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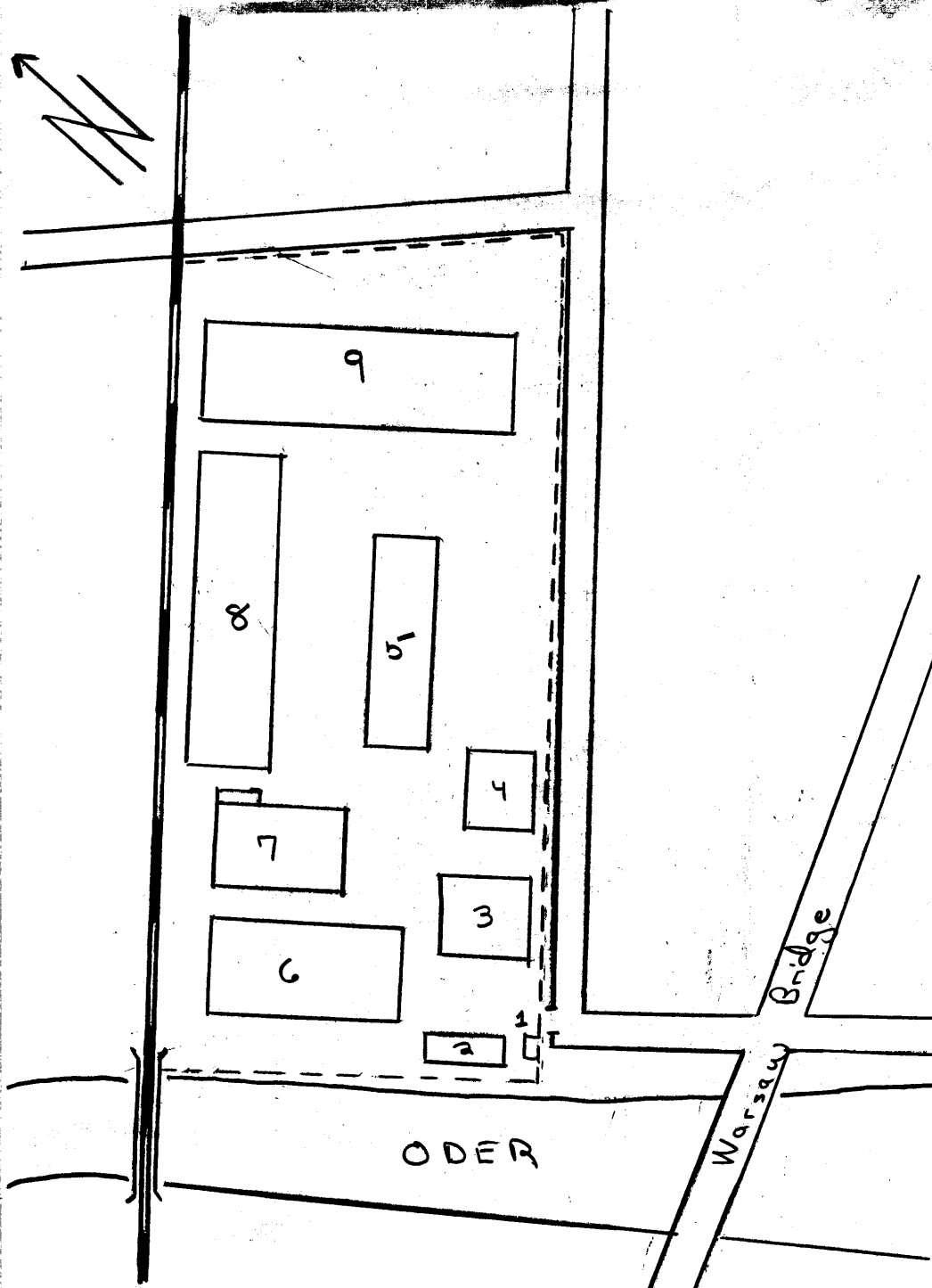
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Mortar Shell Factory "Wodmierz" in Wrocław



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Legend:

1. Entrance and porter's lodge.
2. Single-floor, stone building approximately 15 by 30 meters, used as general stores.
3. Four-floor building of red bricks, approximately 30 by 50 meters, administration offices.
4. Two-floor building of red brick, approximately 25 by 30 meters, canteen, sick-room, Party organizations and recreation room.
5. Factory shop (at the end of 1952, it was nearly completed). Red brick construction, 25 by 80 meters (used for purposes not known).
6. Three-floor red brick factory building approximately 40 by 60 meters.
Ground floor: Main turners' shop with six automatic turret lathes (Soviet) and 15 lathes with turning length of 1 meter.
1st floor: 16 small precision lathes for the production of mortar shell fuses.
2nd floor: Design office.
7. Two-floor factory building of red brick, approximately 25 by 40 meters.
Ground floor: 12 lathes, turning length approximately 1 by 1.50 meters and two shears. Export orders are mostly handled here. The design office is located nearby.
Upper floor: Calculations office, changing rooms.
8. Factory shop of red brick, approximately 30 by 120 meters. The foundry with two furnaces (capacity not known) is located here, as well as the molding section and cleaning plant for the castings. About 150 men were employed here in one shift.
9. Stone factory shop painted white, approximately 40 by 120 meters. Screw cutting machines (number not known) were located here, also machines for production of packing rings, inspection of mortar shells, painting of mortar shells, and packing.

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